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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 (currently amended): A process to clean a polymeric article so as to remove non-volatile residues and low-volatility residues from the article, which process comprises immersing the article in a bath consisting essentially of a solvent selected from isopropyl alcohol, hexane, and blends of isopropyl and hexane, at an elevated temperature of approximately 60° C, for a predetermined time not less than approximately five minutes, withdrawing the article from the bath, and drying the article, wherein the article is one taken from a bath with other articles immersed in the bath and the bath is examined for non-volatile and low-volatility residues removed from inside and outside surfaces of the article.

Claim 2 (original): The process of claim 1 wherein drying is accomplished by allowing the article to be air-dried.

Claim 3 (original): The process of claim 1 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

Claim 4 (original): The process of claim 2 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A process to clean a polyurethane glove so as to remove non-volatile residues and low-volatility residues from the glove, which process comprises immersing the article in a bath consisting essentially of a solvent selected from isopropyl alcohol, hexane, and blends of isopropyl and hexane, at an elevated temperature of approximately 60° C, for a predetermined time not less than approximately five minutes, withdrawing the article from the

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bath, and drying the article, wherein the glove is one taken from a bath with other gloves immersed in the bath and the bath is examined for non-volatile and low-volatility residues removed from inside and outside surfaces of the glove.

Claim 6 (original): The process of claim 5 wherein drying is accomplished by allowing the article to be air-dried.

Claim 7 (original): The process of claim 5 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

Claim 8 (original): The process of claim 6 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

Claim 9 (original): The process of any one of claims 1 through 8 wherein the batch is quiescent.

Claim 10 (original): The process of any one of claims 1 through 8 wherein the batch is agitated.

Claim 11 (original): The process of claim 10 wherein the batch is agitated mechanically.

Claim 11 (original): The process of claim 10 wherein the batch is agitated via bubbling of air or another gaseous medium that is inert relative to the bath.